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Dear Madam/Sir:

Enclosed please find the following for filing with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. Response to Restriction Requirement under 35 U.S.C. 121 (2 pages); and
2. Return postcard.

If you have any questions, please call David J. Rikkers at (617) 856-8382. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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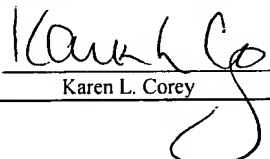
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 35 U.S.C. 121

Sir:

In the Restriction Requirement, dated December 8, 2004, Applicant was required to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits from one of the following groups of

Species:

Species A – Figures 2-6, a coupler/retention system using a belt to attach to a user's waist

Species B – Figures 7-8, a leash with multiple connectors.

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In response thereto, Applicant herein elects the designs of Species A without traverse, for further prosecution on the merits.

In view of the foregoing, examination of the elected designs and favorable consideration are respectfully requested.

Although no fee is believed due with this submission, please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment of any fee(s) to Deposit Account No. 50-0369. Also, in the event any extensions of time for responding are required for the pending application, please treat this paper as a petition to extend the time as required and charge Deposit Account No. 50-0369.

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